

REGION 6 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

TOPIC: **Cedar Chemical Superfund Site**

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PURPOSE/ACTION NEEDED: For Information

DEADLINE DATE:

BACKGROUND:

- The Cedar Chemical Superfund Site is located in an industrialized area of Helena / West Helena, Arkansas.
- The site is an abandoned chemical plant that mostly manufactured herbicides and pesticides.
- Harcross Chemicals, Inc. and its wholly owned subsidiary, Quapaw Products, LLC has entered into an Agreed Order with the State of Arkansas, to lease the property and conduct some “clean-up” activities. Presently, Quapaw has “sub-leased” part of the plant to Enviro-Tech. Enviro-Tech is manufacturing acetic acid for use in the poultry industry.
- The Site was recently listed on the NPL, and Region 6 is pursuing enforcement options at the present time.

CURRENT STATUS:

- The EPA is currently reviewing numerous 104(e) responses from various PRPs, and is preparing to issue Special Notice letters.

KEY MESSAGE:

- EPA Regions 6 is presently evaluating enforcement options to require PRPs to conduct the cleanup activities.

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